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1. LATEST INFO ON RIFAI REPORTED IN KUWAIT 748 (WTDR/FTI KUWAIT OVERSEAS AGENCY CENTER) IN FEBRUARY 1976. RIFAI IS OWNER OF KOAC. HE IS PROMINENT AND SUCCESSFUL BUSINESSMAN AND PARTNER WITH HIS FATHER SAYID RAJAB AL-RIFAI IN OTHER BUSINESS VENTURE. WE HAVE NO ADDITIONAL INFO ON HIM TO THAT CONTAINED IN KUWAIT 748.

2. REFTTEL STATES INVESTMENT OF \$700 MILLION BEING CONSIDERED. WHILE EMBASSY KNOWS BOTH RAFAIS TO BE SUCCESSFUL AND PROSPEROUS, \$700 MILLION FIGURE IS HUGE BY STANDARDS OF ANY KUWAITI BUSINESSMAN AND EVEN FOR GOK ITSELF. LARGEST PROJECT CURRENT UNDERWAGHERE IS KUWAIT GAS UTILIZATION PROJECT WORTH AROUND \$875 MILLION, NOT COUNTING RELATED SHIPPING. LAST YEAR'S NATIONAL HOUSING AUTHORITY BUDGET WAS IN SAME AREA. POSSIBLE PROJECT/INVESTMENT IS IN SAUDI ARABIA. EMBASSY WOULD BE INTERESTED IN KNOWING ANY DETAILS REGARDING INVESTMENT COMMERCE CAN PROVIDE.
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